# United States District Court For The Western District of North Carolina

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

JUDGMENT IN A CRIMINAL CASE

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(For Offenses Committed On or After November 1, 1987)

RICKY BERNARD ECKLES, aka,

Richard Bernard Eckles

Case Number: 5:05CR9-1-V

USM Number: 19928-058

James Exum

Defendant's Attorney

### THE DEFENDANT:

- X pleaded guilty to count(s) 1ss & 29ss of the second superseding bill of indictment.
  - Pleaded nolo contendere to count(s) which was accepted by the court.
- Was found guilty on count(s) after a plea of not guilty.

ACCORDINGLY, the court has adjudicated that the defendant is guilty of the following offense(s):

Title and Section	Nature of Offense	Date Offense Concluded	Counts
21:846	Conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute, a quantity of cocaine and cocaine base, Sch. II controlled substances and marijuana, a Sch. I controlled substance	3/15/05	1ss
18:922(g)(1)	Possession of one or more firearms in and affecting interstate commerce by a convicted felon	2/21/05	29ss

The defendant is sentenced as provided in pages 2 through  $\underline{5}$  of this judgment. The sentence is imposed pursuant to the Sentencing Reform Act of 1984, United States v. Booker, 125 S.Ct. 738 (2005), and 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a).

The defendant has been found not guilty on count(s).

X Original bill of indictment, superseding bill of indictment and Counts 23ss, 24ss, 26ss and 28ss of the second bill of indictment are dismissed on the motion of the United States.

IT IS ORDERED that the defendant shall notify the United States Attorney for this district within 30 days of any change of name, residence, or mailing address until all fines, restitution, costs, and special assessments imposed by this judgment are fully paid. If ordered to pay monetary penalties, the defendant shall notify the court and United States attorney of any material change in the defendant's economic circumstances.

Date of Imposition of Sentence: September 10, 2007

Richard L. Voorhees United States District Judge

Date: September 24, 2007

X The Court makes the following recommendations to the Bureau of Prisons:

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### **IMPRISONMENT**

The defendant is hereby committed to the custody of the United States Bureau of Prisons to be imprisoned for a term of ONE HUNDRED FORTY (140) MONTHS ON COUNT 1ss; ONE HUNDRED TWENTY (120) MONTHS ON COUNT 29ss, TO BE SERVED CONCURRENTLY.

That defendant be designated to facility as close to his home in Statesville, NC, as possible.

That defendant be allowed to participate in any available substance abuse treatment programs while incarcerated and if eligible receive benefits of 18:3621(e)(2).

That defendant be allowed to participate in educational and vocational opportunities while incarcerated.

 $That \ defendant \ support \ his \ dependents \ while \ incarcerated \ under \ the \ Inmate \ Financial \ Responsibility \ Program.$ 

That defendant be evaluated for diabetes and any other health conditions or any positive diagnosis by the Bureau of Prisons

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### SUPERVISED RELEASE

Upon release from imprisonment, the defendant shall be on supervised release for a term of <u>FIVE (5) YEARS ON COUNT 1ss</u>; THREE (3) YEARS ON COUNT 29ss, ALL SUCH TERMS TO RUN CONCURRENTLY.

The condition for mandatory drug testing is suspended based on the court's determination that the defendant poses a low risk of future substance abuse.

## STANDARD CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISION

The defendant shall comply with the standard conditions that have been adopted by this court and any additional conditions ordered.

- 1. The defendant shall not commit another federal, state, or local crime.
- 2. The defendant shall refrain from possessing a firearm, destructive device, or other dangerous weapon.
- 3. The defendant shall pay any financial obligation imposed by this judgment remaining unpaid as of the commencement of the sentence of probation or the term of supervised release on a schedule to be established by the court.
- 4. The defendant shall provide access to any personal or business financial information as requested by the probation officer.
- 5. The defendant shall not acquire any new lines of credit unless authorized to do so in advance by the probation officer.
- The defendant shall not leave the Western District of North Carolina without the permission of the Court or probation officer.
- 7. The defendant shall report in person to the probation officer as directed by the Court or probation officer and shall submit a truthful and complete written report within the first five days of each month.
- 8. A defendant on supervised release shall report in person to the probation officer in the district to which he or she is released within 72 hours of release from custody of the Bureau of Prisons.
- 9. The defendant shall answer truthfully all inquiries by the probation officer and follow the instructions of the probation officer.
- 10. The defendant shall support his or her dependents and meet other family responsibilities.
- 11. The defendant shall work regularly at a lawful occupation unless excused by the probation officer for schooling, training, or other activities authorized by the probation officer.
- 12. The defendant shall notify the probation officer within 72 hours of any change in residence or employment.
- 13. The defendant shall refrain from excessive use of alcohol and shall not unlawfully purchase, possess, use, distribute or administer any narcotic or other controlled substance, or any paraphernalia related to such substances, except as duly prescribed by a licensed physician.
- 14. The defendant shall participate in a program of testing and treatment or both for substance abuse if directed to do so by the probation officer, until such time as the defendant is released from the program by the probation officer; provided, however, that defendant shall submit to a drug test within 15 days of release on probation or supervised release and at least two periodic drug tests thereafter for use of any controlled substance, subject to the provisions of 18:3563(a)(5) or 18:3583(d), respectively.
- 15. The defendant shall not frequent places where controlled substances are illegally sold, used, distributed, or administered.
- 16. The defendant shall not associate with any persons engaged in criminal activity, and shall not associate with any person convicted of a felony unless granted permission to do so by the probation officer.
- The defendant shall submit his person, residence, office or vehicle to a search, from time to time, conducted by any U.S. Probation Officer and such other law enforcement personnel as the probation officer may deem advisable, without a warrant; and failure to submit to such a search may be grounds for revocation of probation or supervised release. The defendant shall warn other residents or occupants that such premises or vehicle may be subject to searches pursuant to this condition.
- 18. The defendant shall permit a probation officer to visit him or her at any time at home or elsewhere and shall permit confiscation of any contraband observed by the probation officer.
- 19. The defendant shall notify the probation officer within 72 hours of defendant's being arrested or questioned by a law enforcement officer.
- 20. The defendant shall not enter into any agreement to act as an informer or a special agent of a law enforcement agency without the permission of the Court.
- 21. As directed by the probation officer, the defendant shall notify third parties of risks that may be occasioned by the defendant's criminal record or personal history or characteristics, and shall permit the probation officer to make such notifications and to confirm the defendant's compliance with such notification requirement.
- 22. If the instant offense was committed on or after 4/24/96, the defendant shall notify the probation officer of any material changes in defendant's economic circumstances which may affect the defendant's ability to pay any monetary penalty.
- 23. If home confinement (home detention, home incarceration or curfew) is included you may be required to pay all or part of the cost of the electronic monitoring or other location verification system program based upon your ability to pay as determined by the probation officer.
- 24. The defendant shall cooperate in the collection of DNA as directed by the probation officer.

## ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS:

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## **CRIMINAL MONETARY PENALTIES**

The defendant shall pay the following total criminal monetary penalties in accordance with the Schedule of Payments.

ASSESSMENT	FINE	RESTITUTION
\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

\$100.00 ASSESSMENT FEE PER COUNT

FINE

The defendant shall pay interest on any fine or restitution of more than \$2,500.00, unless the fine or restitution is paid in full

	fifteenth day after the date of judgment, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3612(f). All of the payment options on the Schedule of may be subject to penalties for default and delinquency pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3612(g).
_	The court has determined that the defendant does not have the ability to pay interest and it is ordered that:
X	The interest requirement is waived.
_	The interest requirement is modified as follows:
	COURT APPOINTED COUNSEL FEES
_	The defendant shall pay court appointed counsel fees.

The defendant shall pay \$ towards court appointed fees.

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## **SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS**

Having assess	sed the defendant's ability to p	y, payment of the total criminal	monetary penalties shall be due as follow	ws:

	Α	<u>X</u>	Lump sum payment of \$ 200.00 due immediately, balance due
		_	not later than, or in accordance ©, (D) below; or
	В	_	Payment to begin immediately (may be combined with ©, (D) below); or
	С	_	Payment in equal (e.g. weekly, monthly, quarterly) installments of \$ to commence to comm
	D	_	Payment in equal (e.g. weekly, monthly, quarterly) installments of \$ to commence (e.g. 30 or 60 days) after release from imprisonment to a term of supervision. In the event the entire amount of criminal monetary penalties imposed is not paid prior to the commencement of supervision, the U.S. Probation Officer shall pursue collection of the amount due, and may request the court to establish or modify a payment schedule if appropriate 18 U.S.C. § 3572.
Specia	ıl ins	tructions re	egarding the payment of criminal monetary penalties:
The defendant shall pay the cost of prosecution. The defendant shall pay the following court costs: The defendant shall forfeit the defendant's interest in the following property to the United States:			
impriso penalty 28677,	onmo y pay , exc	ent payme yments are cept those	expressly ordered otherwise in the special instructions above, if this judgment imposes a period of int of criminal monetary penalties shall be due during the period of imprisonment. All criminal monetary to be made to the United States District Court Clerk, 200 West Broad Street, Room 100, Statesville, NC payments made through the Bureau of Prisons' Inmate Financial Responsibility Program. All criminal ments are to be made as directed by the court.

Payments shall be applied in the following order: (1) assessment, (2) restitution principal, (3) restitution interest, (4) fine principal, (5) community restitution, (6) fine interest, (7) penalties, and (8) costs, including cost of prosecution and court costs.eptember 10, 2007